

Group I: Claims 1-5, 14-24, 33-43 and 52-56 are drawn to an interactive user environment wherein the user environment is established using memory contents developed during previous user interactions such as user profiles/preferences, classified in Class 345, subclass 745;

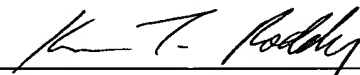
Group II: Claims 12-13, 31-32, and 50-51 are drawn to an interactive user environment wherein access control or permission is required, classified in Class 345 subclass 721; and

Group III: Claims 6-11, 25-30 and 44-49 are drawn to an interactive video interface environment wherein video program segments, such as program guides, are indexed and scheduled for accessibility, classified in Class 345, subclass 721.

The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the above groups for prosecution on the merits.

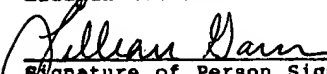
Applicants hereby elect Group I without traverse.  
This election is expressly without waiver of the right to  
prosecute and obtain claims to the non-elected subject matter  
either in this application or in other applications claiming  
priority herefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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